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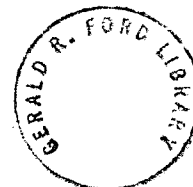
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 To: President Gerald R. Ford
 From: Santiago B. Magofna
 Date: 22 December 1977
 Subject: Flat ~~rate~~ rate utility charge for water consumption for uses on Saipan

By direction of the President:

for

Jeanne W. Davis



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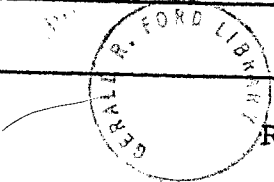
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GOVERNMENT OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS LEGISLATURE
P. O. BOX 929
SUSUPE, SAIPAN, MARIANA ISLANDS 96950

December 22, 1976

RW
and


The Honorable Gerald Ford
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D. c.

Dear Mr. President:

300-1976

I am pleased to submit to you for your approval Resolution
~~No. 296-1976~~, a resolution urging and requesting the United
States Government to approve the Constitution of the
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, duly adopted
by the Fourth Northern Mariana Islands Legislature during its
recently concluded Eighth Regular Session.

Sincerely yours,


Santiago B. Magaña
Legislative Secretary

attachment: Copy of Res. No. 296-1976

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FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS LEGISLATURE

EIGHTH REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 300-1976



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INTRODUCED BY: SEN. HERMAN T. PALACIOS, DELEGATE-AT-LARGE
SEN. OSCAR C. RASA, DELEGATE-AT-LARGE
SEN. OLYMPIO T. BORJA, DELEGATE-AT-LARGE

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE RESIDENT COMMISSIONER
TO PUT ALL UTILITY USERS ON A FLAT RATE BASIS FOR
WATER CONSUMPTION UNTIL WATER METERS HAVE BEEN
INSTALLED FOR ALL CONSUMERS ON SAIPAN

WHEREAS, sometime back, the government instituted a policy of
installing water meters for all utility consumers on Saipan; and

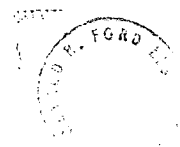
WHEREAS, the motivating reason behind this policy was to conserve
water by charging consumers according to the quantity of water used; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that such a policy has a sound basis and
will result in saving a great deal of water that is currently being wasted;
and

WHEREAS, some consumers are not metered and are charged on a flat
rate basis while others are charged a relatively higher rate because of
the metering of the water consumed, which is discriminatory and unfair;
and

WHEREAS, there are some areas on Saipan such as Capitol Hill whose
water is never turned off except during repair of pipes, which places those
residents on the Capitol Hill area in a more favorable position than other
consumers on the island; and

WHEREAS, in order to eliminate the discriminatory practices that
currently exist, all water users on Saipan should be placed on a flat rate
basis until all homes have been metered;




RESOLUTION NO. 300-1976

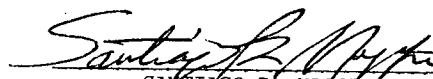
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Fourth Northern Mariana Islands Legislature, Eighth Regular Session, 1976, that the Resident Commissioner be and he hereby is requested to put all utility users on a flat rate basis for water consumption until water meters have been installed for all consumers on Saipan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Resident Commissioner of the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands.

PASSED BY THE FOURTH NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS LEGISLATURE DECEMBER 16, 1976.


VICENTE N. SANTOS
Speaker


SANTIAGO B. MAGAÑA
Legislative Secretary



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